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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Masue SHIBA et al.) Group Art Unit: 2134
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Application No.: 09/487,483) Examiner: Michael J. SIMITOSKI
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Filed: January 19, 2000)
) Confirmation No.: 3217
For: ARITHMETIC METHOD AND)
APPARATUS AND CRYPTO)
PROCESSING APPARATUS FOR)
PERFORMING MULTIPLE TYPES)
OF CRYPTOGRAPHY)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated April 4, 2006, the period for response to which extends through May 4, 2006, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between claims 2-10 (Group I) and claims 11-19 (Group II). Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 2-10, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to an integer based multiplier circuit and a selector to select one of the integer and finite field circuits and a full adder propagating a carry upon selection of an integer-based unit arithmetic operation and not propagating the carry upon selection of a finite field-based unit operation, without traverse.

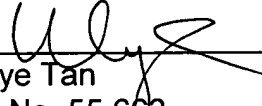
Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: May 4, 2006

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